

December 2, 2003

The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW, Room 8-B201
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Amendment of Sections 90.20 and 90.175 of the Commission's Rules for
Frequency Coordination of Public Safety Frequencies in the Private Land
Mobile Radio Below-470 MHz Band
WT Docket No. 02-285

Dear Mr. Chairman:

2-Way Communications Service, Inc., has been providing public safety and industrial business licensees with communications solutions for over 45 years in the New England area. The number of applications per year increases as each year goes by.

Today, public safety coordination is more costly than industrial business coordination and usually takes much longer. Unfortunately, customers like the New Hampshire police departments need coordination done quickly and as cheap as possible since they are working with a limited taxpayer budget. Recent public safety coordinations, however, have taken as long as 15 months. Even the best turn around time for public safety coordination is typically 12 months. Public safety licensees need the same options available to them that industrial business licensees currently have.

With this in mind, we support open competition among all public safety and industrial business frequency coordinators in the private land mobile radio services. Competition should bring cheaper costs and quicker application turn around time.

Sincerely,

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